

**The 14th Annual Black History Month Program
The Community Affairs and Housing Committee
of the Louisville Metro Council Presents
The 2016 Honorees**



Elmer Lucille Allen- District 1

Elmer Lucille Allen has been a community volunteer for many years and the first African American Chemist at Brown Forman Worldwide Beverage Company. She retired as a Senior Analytical Chemist in 1977. Mrs. Allen has an in-depth academic background, achieved amazing accomplishments in the field of art and has received numerous awards from various civic, educational and government institutions-- too many too list for this presentation. Mrs. Allen served, as the president of the Kentucky Coalition for Afro-American Arts for almost ten years, is a member of the West Louisville Women's Collaborative, Inc. and several sororities. She is a mother of three, grandmother, great-grandmother; a caregiver for her 91 year old aunt and a breast cancer survivor. In spite of all of these things, Mrs. Allen still makes time to create art and to help family, friends, and the community.



John “Hulk” Lewis –District 2

John “Hulk” Lewis is a 67-year-old native Louisvillian, born and raised in the Newburg area. After 30 years as an employee of Ford Motor Company, he retired to pursue his passion for playing tennis, via the Newburg Tennis Association, while assisting and participating in the development of youth activities in the Newburg community. Hulk currently spends most of his free time insuring that the Newburg Park is maintained in a proper manner, oftentimes personally picking up paper, cleaning various areas of the park, and contacting Metro Parks when things need to be done. He also encourages and mentors both adults and children whom he meets while tending to the park, and keeps District 2’s office appraised of the Newburg residents’ concerns. Although he no longer actively participates in tennis tournaments, he maintains a deep connection with the tennis association. He is the father of three boys and eight grandchildren.



Deborah Gordon- District 3

Deborah Gordon, a resident of Hallmark Neighborhood for 31 years, is retired from Sears Department Store where she was the clerical supervisor of maintenance agreements. Deborah is energetic and goal oriented-- characteristics that keep her involved in her community. She is a member and recording secretary for the Executive Board of Directors at the Chestnut Street YMCA and is a recipient of the YMCA's Volunteer of the Year Outstanding Achievement Award. As Chair of the Programs Committee, which raised \$67,000, an Underground Program was created, providing teens with an after-school program and Computer Program, which made computers available for GED programs and for children to have access for schoolwork. Deborah has served as Block Watch Captain for her Hallmark neighborhood championing many issues with the city and MSD to make her neighborhood safe and assisting in obtaining 501-C3 status for the Hallmark Neighborhood. As Class Administrator for her Bible Study Class at St. Stephens, she coordinated a program to provide uniforms, socks and under clothing for 50 children of Whitney Young Elementary School; publishes a booklet, five times a year, called "Generations Edition" which is designed for seniors citizens and includes medical advice, jokes, tips and puzzles for them; and coordinated a neighborhood Christmas Drive for the Center for Family and Children.

Deborah is presently employed with the Breland Group Realtors and is a very proud mother of a son, a grandmother, and great-grandmother with a very big heart.



Anthony Smith-District 4

Anthony D. Smith – Executive Director, Cities United - a national mayor lead initiative focused on eliminating the violence in American cities related to African American men and boys. Before joining Cities United, Anthony led the Office for Safe and Healthy Neighborhoods for Mayor Fischer and the city of Louisville. Anthony is committed to creating positive outcomes for all youth, with a focus on young black men and boys. Throughout his professional career, Anthony has made it a priority to cultivate up and coming leaders. Anthony was born and raised in Louisville, KY – earned his BA from Northern Kentucky University. He is married to Devonya and has three boys – Kendrick, Haig, and Chase.



Bonnie Cole-District 5

BONNIE COLE, a resident of the Shawnee Neighborhood, is an active, productive, and committed community leader. She states that it is one of the most challenging and rewarding journeys on which she has embarked during her personal and professional life. Her early childhood experiences contributed to her desire to serve others. She learned through her parents, teachers, church and dedicated community leaders how to give back, teach, share, and empower. These leaders were the inspiration and influence for her to enter into a community-wide venue to establish the Southern Star Development Corporation Campus located in the West End. The campus became the center for youth, serving over 300 children and their family members on a weekly basis. She has served in many capacities in this endeavor to develop numerous programs for the youth. Bonnie is the President of the Shawnee Neighborhood Association and a member of the University of Louisville's signature partnership and co-chairs its West Louisville Residents Advisory Council. She is a member of the West Louisville Food Port Council and an active participant with the District 5 neighborhood Advisory Committee. Bonnie Cole is an advocate for assisting and sustaining the neighborhood's culture, promoting arts, education, and jobs to benefit the residents so they may become productive citizens. Bonnie has a BS degree in Sociology from the University of Louisville. She has served as Emergency Financial Counselor for Jefferson County Department of Human Resources, and counselor for the Displaced Homemaker Program. She retired from the Workforce Development Operations and Office of Employment in 2008 and is the recipient of numerous awards and commendations for her outstanding services to her community. Including the District 5 Molly Leonard Community Service Award.



Rev. Dr. Alex Moses, Sr. - District 6

Rev. Dr. Alex Moses, Sr., was born in Richmond, VA, and attended and graduated from Arm Strong High School in 1964. Rev. Dr. Alex J. Moses Sr., Pastor of Eastern Star Baptist church for 31 years, has received numerous awards for his service to God, his family, his church family and the community. Some of his achievements throughout his life include retiring from General Electric after nineteen and a half years of service, attending and graduating from Simmons Bible College in 1983, receiving both his Master of Divinity degree, his Masters in Christian Education as well as his Doctorate Degree from Southern Baptist Seminary in 2001. Rev. Moses. is blessed to have a beautiful wife of 50 years and counting, Mrs. Gertrude Moses, along with three wonderful children. With the assistance of his wife, he has published a book entitled "From Volunteers to Leaders"; a book designed to relay strategies, methods, and training of volunteer leadership.



Clark S. Cox, II – District 8

Clark S. Cox, II, was born and raised in Harrods Creek, Kentucky and is a graduate of Centre College, Danville, Kentucky. Science. He has a background in retail and commercial banking at both regional (First National Bank of Louisville, now PNC) and money center institutions (Bank of America NT&SA). He is skilled in manufacturing accounting procedures, having been in the Financial Management Program at General Electric Company. Clark is also skilled in Public sector finance, having served as Assistant Cabinet Director and Director of Financial Services of the City of Louisville's Economic Development Cabinet; served six years as Resident Economic Developer within the Housing Authority of Louisville and its Board of Commissioners Clark accomplished several financial milestones while at the City, none of which have been surpassed and too many to list for this presentation. In addition to the public and private sources, which have been available over the extent of the Clark's career, he has developed ties with a number of investment banking firms located in New York City, Atlanta, and Detroit as well as foreign contacts in Montreal, Canada and Johannesburg, South Africa. Clark has lived in the 8th District for the last 25 years. He is on the Board of Directors of Tyler Park Neighborhood Association, married and has three adult sons.



Dawn Josephine Wilson - District 9

Dawn Josephine Wilson, a native Kentuckian, is a professional person with extensive accomplishments in the business, educational and LGBT communities. She holds a BA in Political Science/International Affairs from Transylvania University and Graduate Studies/MBA from the University of Kentucky and has been a resident of District 9 since 1999. Dawn has been involved in civil rights issues for more than twenty years; joining the Louisville Fairness Campaign in 1998, and working to educate the public on transgender issues and helped to pass the LGBT laws in Lexington and Louisville. She was very instrumental in the passage of LGBT civil rights laws and Fairness Ordinance. In 2004, Dawn became a member of the C-Fair Campaign's PAC and remains a member of the C-FAIR Board. From 2006-2012 she served as co-chair of C-FAIR and has been a Commissioner on the Louisville Metro Human Relations Commission since 2010. She currently serves as the Commission's Education Chair, responsible to facilitate communities with the community at large. In October 2015, a scholarship was named in Dawn's honor at the University of Louisville to benefit LGBTQ students of color who are pursuing their collegiate training. Dawn is also a two-time saber national fencing champion and currently serves as the chair of the Kentucky Division of U. S. Fencing, promoting fencing throughout the state. She is the first African American to hold that position.



Jeremy B. Hughes - District 10

JEREMY B. HUGHES began kindergarten at Pitts Academy where he had in excess of 25 volunteers working on his behalf. Jeremy is a disabled adult who graduated from the Alfred Binet School and now lives with his parents, his legal guardians. At a very young age, he was diagnosed with a functional IQ and autism and has overcome many obstacles. In spite of his disabilities, he travels back and forth on TARC 3 to his job work at VALU Market. He participates in Special Olympics soccer, basketball, softball and once in skiing. He is very active at his church where he plays drums, including bongos, ushers, and is the pianist for Sunday School celebrations. He is also a Sunday School offering servant and baptismal pool servant. He is fondly called “the Mayor Petersburg” because he is seen throughout the neighborhood talking to residents and checking on them, especially after inclement weather.



Kedrick Tembo - District 11

KEDRICK TEMBO was born in Kitwe, Zambia and with his parents relocated to Silver Spring, Maryland in 2003. He is the Executive Director of Corner of Hope Recovery Center, a drug, and alcohol facility in Louisville, Kentucky. This agency began in 2010 and has helped more than 500 men and women with addiction issues. Kedrick began working at Corner of Hope Recovery Center as a volunteer and became Director of Curriculum and Counseling Relations in 2012. He was promoted to Executive Director in 2014. Under his leadership, the program is now certified and has expanded to include women, and state and federal court appointed clients. He is an ordained minister with Church Growth International of the Americas, and serves as associate pastor of Evangel World Prayer Center of Louisville, Kentucky and has traveled throughout the United States and several other countries in his ministerial call to share the good news of Jesus Christ. Kedrick and Cassandra, his bride of ten years, reside in Louisville. He is an avid golfer and master of Scrabble and Chess.



Fred & Zelma Johnson - District 12

Councilman Blackwell is proud to honor Reverend Fred Johnson and his wife, Zelma Johnson, as the District 12 honorees for Black History Month. This husband and wife team works in tandem not only in their church congregation, but also in their community and neighborhood. Fred Johnson first joined the Church of the Living God Temple in 1954 and was called to the ministry in 1983. He attended Simmons Bible College and Jefferson Community College where he received the Jefferson Community College Black Achievers award. In 1986, he was ordained and a few years later, he was appointed as the pastor at the Church of the Living God in Louisville where he has led the congregation in their spiritual ministry for 27 years. Fred served in the Louisville Division of Fire and retired after 20 years with the rank of Sergeant. Fred is involved with several community organizations serving as an active Board member of the NAACP Interdenominational Ministerial Coalition, a member of the Southwest YMCA, working with the youth sports program as the boys' basketball coach, and is the co-founder of the Black Firefighter Association of Louisville. Zelma Johnson is a retired teacher of 35 years where she taught American History and Black History. Zelma works with the Minority Teacher Recruitment Program and as a resource teacher in the KTIP program for teacher certification in Kentucky. She served as the JCTA representative for the Teacher's union for 15 years, as a Sunday school teacher for the youth class for 16 years, and as the president of their church outreach program for 10 years. Zelma and Fred have been married FORTY! Years and are blessed with four children and twelve grandchildren. They are both active members of the Southwest YMCA and enjoy reading books with the youth in their church and walking together. They have lived in the Greenridge Estates

Neighborhood Association in PRP for 21 years. When the Homeowner's Association faltered a few years ago, The Johnson's were instrumental in reviving the organization and Fred now serves as the Vice President. They were nominated for this recognition by one of their neighbors who described them as "model neighbors who go above and beyond without being asked or seeking recognition." It is clear that Fred and Zelma are committed to helping their community through their lifelong service both personally and professionally. Councilman Blackwell is proud to honor this exemplary couple as outstanding leaders in District 12 and the entire Metro Community.



Breanya C. Hogue - District 13

Breanya C. Hogue, a very excited first year teacher at Minors Lane Elementary School, is a recent graduate of the University of Louisville, with a BS in Early Elementary Education (K-3), and ME in School Counseling (K-12).

At Minor's Lane she teaches the AWESOME 5th grade MUSTANGS! She is an Ella Baker Trainer for the Children's Defense Fund Freedom Schools Program (a national literacy, cultural and social advocacy enrichment program). She enjoys traveling, meeting new people, rooting for the CARDS, volunteering and helping others, laughing and event planning. She is also a very proud member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Her favorite quotation is "Our Deepest Fear" by Marianne Williamson: *Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us. We ask ourselves, who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented, fabulous? Actually, who are you not to be? You are a child of God. You're playing small does not serve the world. There is nothing enlightened*

about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you. We are all meant to shine, as children do. We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us. It's not just in some of us, it's in everyone. And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others."



Donella Allen & Peggy Brooks-District 14

Donella Allen was born in Topeka, Kansas, has lived in Japan and Alaska, and for the past 43 years has been a resident of Louisville, Kentucky. She is a graduate of Valley High School, has an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice from Brown Mackie College, and was on the Dean's List several times. Donella is a security officer at Yum Brands and works with the Sun Valley Community Center, assisting with the Southwest Festival, Tai Chi, and is the leader of her TOPS group; and a Block Watch Captain in her neighborhood. She is very active in the life and mission of Meadowlawn Baptist Church where she is corresponding secretary, a member of the Beautification Board, Usher Board, Missionary and Women's Missionary, choir and dance. Donella is a hard worker and never hesitates to take on a new challenge or a difficult task. Her motto is "I'll try anything once." Always pleasant and positive, she brings light, hope and joy to all whom she meets. She has four adult children, one of whom has special needs, and four grandchildren. Raising her children as a single parent was not always easy but the joys and journey were worth it.

Peggy Brooks - District 14

Peggy Brooks, a proud lady of 80 years old, is a native of Topeka, Kansas. She is a retiree of the Louisville Public Library System, where she worked for more than thirty years. Joyce Fischer, a friend for more than thirty years, states, "I have always found her to be dependable, efficient, and unfailingly punctual. In fact, I have never worked with a person who gave as much attention to details, as well as her patrons who came into the library." Peggy is involved in the activities of Sun Valley Community Center, doing Tai Chi and Silver Sneakers, and is a member of TOPS. She is a faithful member of Meadowlawn Baptist Church where she sings in the choir and is a member in the Missionary and Women's Missionary. Peggy loves people, works hard, and always tries to lift the spirits of those around her, in spite of her health problems. She has four grandchildren, one of whom has special needs, and five great-grandchildren. Her life of 80 years is a testimony of service to her family, community, and God.



Margie King - District 15

Margie King is one of eleven children, born to the late John & Loretta King, in a little town called Crewe, Virginia, which is outside of Richmond, Virginia. Margie moved to Louisville in 1990 from Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

She has two daughters, one son, three grand-daughters and one grandson who is attending University of Findlay. She attended the School of Business and Banking where she received her Certificate of Completion. She later enrolled at Spencerian College where she received her Associate Degree in Accounting and Business Management, December 1999. In 2000, after completing college, Margie was

diagnosed with a rare form of cancer, Biphasic Synovial Sarcoma, affecting the bone and muscle in her leg that eventually led to her right leg being amputated in May 2011. Margie attends King Solomon Missionary Baptist church where she sings in the choir, Fosters & Adoptive Parent (one adoptive son), a member of the Bluegrass Gospel Music Workshop of America and volunteers with the West Louisville Boys & West Louisville Girls' Choir. Margie founded the first not for profit "King & Jennings Synovial Sarcoma Org." organized in 2002. She also founded the first Cancer Choir in the State of Kentucky. Margie and her organization give food to individuals and their family who have any type of cancer. Margie continues to work, care for herself while helping others and her family. Somehow, Margie finds time to be the block watch captain on Sale Avenue. We are proud to have Margie as a neighbor, friend and resident of District 15!



Brenda Brooks - District 17

An alumna of Male High School, Brenda Brooks also graduated from the University of Louisville in the field of education. She has earned her Master's and her Rank 1. Brenda has taught for more than 30 years at three elementary schools: Johnsontown Road, Norton, and now Malcolm Chancey. She is a past winner of the WHAS Excel Award and for several years, she was the Math portfolio leader for the region in which she taught and has also written a section of a book for the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics on math assessment. Most importantly, Brenda cares about the well-being of every child with whom she comes in contact. From providing snacks for students practically every day to inspiring students to go beyond what they think possible in the classroom, Brenda

is a shining example of what a teacher can be. Brenda has three children (each of whom attended college on a tennis scholarship!) and two grandchildren.

Sgt. Michael Williams - District 19

Unfortunately, Sargent Williams was unable to be with us today but we want to take this time to thank him for all of his years of service with the Middletown Fire Department and for helping keep our community a safe and wonderful place to live. We truly appreciate his work in our community.



Anna Shobe-Wallace-District 20

Anna Shobe-Wallace, a Social Services Program Supervisor with Louisville Metro Government, has been employed by local government since 2007. During this time she has held various positions developing and implementing programs for low income residents of the City of Louisville. She brings enthusiasm, inspiration and experience to the Louisville Metro Government's Department of Community Services. After graduating from the University of Kentucky in 1995, Anna began her career in management in the private sector. She obtained her real estate license in 2002. As a realtor, Anna realized there was an inexcusable disparity in the housing market and wanted to make a difference by bringing awareness to the derelict housing stock and subprime lending practices in certain areas of town. She wanted to better understand and serve the community in which she was working and raising a family. Anna's desire to educate others, enhance housing stock and to have a positive influence on the community led her to Louisville Metro Government. She began her work in 2007 as a Housing Program Supervisor in the

Department of Housing and Community Development, where she was able to educate prospective homebuyers on topics such as the hazards of lead based paint, fair housing, acceptable mortgage lending rates and down payment assistance. She was promoted in 2009 to Housing and Rehabilitation Manager. In this role she managed several programs and projects that have improved Louisville's housing stock as well as the lives of many residents. These projects include, but are not limited to homeowner rehabilitation projects in Smoketown, Newburg, California and Phoenix Hill. She also assisted with implementing the Shine on Shawnee and Portland Pride rehabilitation programs in West Louisville. Anna currently continues her efforts to improve lives by managing programs that promote self-reliance. She leads an assiduous team that assists program participants with moving towards self-sufficiency through holistic wrap-around services and case management. Maintaining open lines of communication and fostering a transparent environment has allowed Anna to assist with making Louisville a safer and more compassionate place to call home.



Yvette Livers - District 21

Yvette Livers was hired as the Executive Director for South Louisville Community Ministries in 2014. She is a graduate of the University of Louisville and is a licensed social worker. Her professional background has been in upper management with the Girl Scouts of the USA where she led councils in Indiana and Ohio for several years. Yvette states, "My personal motto is Make a Difference Every Day." As the Executive Director for South Louisville Community Ministries, she has worked with South Central Neighborhood Place to

develop a community safety survey. She is a member of the Suburban Rotary Club (formerly Okolona/South Louisville Rotary Club) and Beechmont Women's Club. Yvette works with a great staff team to serve the many needs in South Louisville. Yvette has worked with Joyce Whalin, a dedicated volunteer, to advance the mission of the ministry by increasing the funds for the emergency assistance services for the agency. Yvette is committed to the vision of South Louisville Community Ministries—a community where all neighbors can thrive. While in Zanesville, Ohio, Yvette was instrumental in establishing an African American woman's fund and also served on the Minority Health Commission to address issues for African Americans. Currently, Yvette is working with African American churches to establish youth programs and is working to improve opportunities and partnerships to increase African American involvement in South Louisville.



Norman R. Dukes Sr.-District 22

Rev. Norman R. Dukes, Sr., has a genuine heart for people and community service. As a young man, he served in the United States Army. He is now retired from the Veterans Administration and presently serves as Vice President of the American Federation of Government Employees, a position he has held for the past eleven years. In addition, he is the longest standing member of the Executive Labor Management Committee at the Veterans Administration Hospital. Dukes has pastored for more than thirty years, and is presently the pastor of New Life Apostolic Ministries in Fern Creek. He serves on the Executive Board of God's Grace Apostolic Fellowship in Montgomery, Alabama. Dukes has been married to Barbara Dukes for more than 43 years. They have three sons, Norman, II, Aaron,

and Tayon; two daughters-in-law, Shauna and Kimberly; three granddaughters, Aliza, Alicia, and Ashley; three grandsons, Marcus, Tayon and Christen.



Michelle Dillard-District 23

Michelle Dillard, an educator for the past twenty years, is completing her tenth year with Jefferson County Public schools. Currently she is the Assistant Superintendent for Achievement Area Four. She served as principal at Seneca High School for three and a half years. During her tenure at Seneca High School, the school moved from the 5th to the 12th to the 42nd percentile. Seneca is also the only school in Kentucky listed on the National PLC (Professional Learning Communities) website as a model PLC school culture. Michelle was previously an assistant principal at Jeffersontown High School. Before coming to Jefferson County Public Schools (JCPS), Ms. Dillard spent seven years as a principal at The Career & Tech Center with the Christian County Public School District. Dillard also received her Rank One Certificate and Master's Degree from Western Kentucky University. Ms. Dillard has received numerous community service awards and honors, too many to list for this presentation. A former single parent from the projects, Ms. Dillard went back to Murray State to get her degree. She believes that failure is not an option, no excuses, just results. She is an inspirational speaker, and one of her favorite quotations by Mattingly Hunter is "I never gave nor took any excuse." She is married to Don Dillard, the principal at Minor Daniels Academy, and has three sons. . She is a member of Bates Memorial Baptist Church and is very active on the decision making counsel, prison ministry, education ministry and teaching training. She believes God's favor on her life, his grace and mercy is more than she ever deserves. She gives God ALL the praise,

honor and glory for everything. Her favorite scripture is Philippians 4:13, *"I can do all things through Christ that strengthens me."*



Glenn Hill District 24

Glenn Hill is one of our best and brightest from Southern High School. He is a senior and a Captain of the Basketball team. The oldest of six children, in a single parent family, Glenn acts as the man of the family and helps his mother with the younger children. He takes his responsibilities very seriously because he knows others are watching and expecting great things from him. Glenn has not disappointed them.

His basketball coach says, *"Glenn has been a student/athlete at Southern High School Magnet Career Academy for four years. He is one of the most respectful, honorable and dependable young men I have ever come in contact with in my 25 years in the school system. He is a leader not only on our basketball team, but in our school building as well."*

Glenn has overcome a lot during his high school career; however, he is a very responsible young man at home and a stellar student in the classroom, as well as on the basketball court and has kept his GPA at or above 3.37. Glenn Hill is a teacher's and a coach's dream!! He is on his way to play college basketball, and he will graduate in whatever area of study he chooses. District 24 is honored and proud to have Glenn Hill at Southern High School.



Rev. Larry Sykes Jr.-District 25

Rev. Larry J. Sykes, Jr., is the senior pastor of the Greater Good Hope Baptist Church in West Louisville. In 2009 he graduated from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville and is currently pursuing a Masters of Divinity degree in Worldview and Apologetics at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Rev. Sykes is the immediate past co-president of Citizens of Louisville Organized United Together (CLOUT), a congregation based justice ministry, where each year thousands of citizens from all over Louisville gather together with elected officials, making it the largest gathering of citizens in Louisville each year to solve critical community problems. Under his leadership, the Metro Council passed an ordinance, "Ban the Box," to eliminate the question on job applications that asks about past criminal convictions in order to benefit the more than 160,000 individuals in Louisville with a criminal record. Sykes is also a board member of the Kentucky Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression, Dominican Heart Charities, a non-profit dedicated to serving those who are poverty stricken in the Dominican Republic, as well as the Central District Baptist Association Dean and 1st Vice President of the JL Roberts School of Religion. Rev. Sykes is married to the former Ebony Cobble. They have one son, Byron, and are expecting a second child in the fall.



Black Veterans, Inc.

Seven Vietnam Veterans established the National Association of Black Veterans, Inc. in 1969. Its Kentucky-Louisville Chapter was established on October 31, 2008 by Commander Shedrick J. Jones Sr., a veteran and well known Kentucky basketball coach. Under Commander Jones' leadership, two other chapters (Fort Knox Chapter 70 and Lexington Chapter 23); and, a State Command were established in 2010. NABVETS unite around the strong conviction that veterans possess the experience, knowledge, discipline, training and capacity to unite among themselves and with citizen soldiers to make a difference in the quality of life for youths, families and their community. Diversity is another important NABVETS pillar. With commanders composed of women and men, Caucasians and African Americans. NABVETS walk the walk of seeing every veteran through the eyes of unity and equality. Programs and accomplishments by KYNABVETS are too numerous to list; however for further, specific information, please feel free to contact their local office.

"Once a Soldier, Always a Soldier" "SOLDIER FOR LIFE"



West Louisville Urban Coalition

West Louisville Urban Coalition was established in 2010 to unite government, business, neighborhoods, and individual initiatives to improve the quality of life in West Louisville. As a grassroots organization, the main purpose is to incorporate the vision of the community, nurture those visions, and eliminate those issues that hinder or discriminate against residents within the community. West Louisville Urban Coalition works closely with Community Leaders and Community Organizers to provide a voice for the voiceless and those who have been wronged. Through the Power of the Coalition, issues are addressed to creating a climate that provides a sense of togetherness among community residents. West Louisville Urban Coalition has accomplished many tasks too numerous to list; however, some of its work includes support of Judge Olu Stevenson on issues of seeking fairness during jury selections; registering young adults and educating them in the “Get Out & Vote Campaign”; co-hosted a community forum on race relations in Metro Louisville; partnered with “Jesus & a Job” to restore Muhammad Ali’s Birthplace on Grand Avenue; participated with the clean-up of Districts 1 & 5; and, most recently promoted a water drive by collecting 1000+ case of water for Flint Michigan.